

ACCUSES A MIDWIFE.

Pretty Mary Kempf Dying from the Effects of an Operation.

Mrs. Vetter Held Without Bail to Await Results.

The Girl Says Her Child Was Born in the Midwife's House.

Mrs. Katherine Vetter, a midwife, thirty-two years old, of 215 East Fortieth street, was held without bail to examination to-morrow by Justice Fetter, in Yorkville Police Court, this morning, charged with performing a criminal operation on pretty Mary Kempf, a German girl, twenty years old.

The alleged victim of Mrs. Vetter is in a critical condition in Bellevue Hospital, where she was sent last night. The hospital physicians performed an operation early this morning, and there are slight hopes of her recovery.

Detectives Tierney and Nilon, of the East Thirty-fifth street station, armed with the information given by Mary, arrested Mrs. Vetter at her home about 1 o'clock this morning. She was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and there identified by the girl as the one who had treated her.

Mrs. Kempf accuses a young clerk named Louis Herman of being the cause of her condition. He last was employed in a Clinton place delicatessen store. The police are looking for him.

Mary Kempf came here from Baden, Germany, two years ago. She has no friends in the country except Sebastian Spinner, a tailor, of 26 East Forty-fifth street.

Six weeks ago she went to live with a family named Lyons, in Dobbs Ferry. She was there about five o'clock. She was very ill. Dr. J. J. Fredericks, of 131 East Fifty-second street, was called. Mary said she had given birth to a child ten days ago in Midwife Vetter's house.

An ambulance was called, and the young woman was sent to Bellevue Hospital. Later she told the coroner that she had come from Dobbs Ferry, two weeks ago, and had been at Mrs. Vetter's nearly all the time since. She said the midwife had agreed to assist her for \$5.

Yesterday, when she saw no indications of getting better, she went to Spinner's house.

In court Mrs. Vetter pleaded not guilty. She said Mary had come to her in a bad condition and asked aid. She denied that she had performed an operation and said that no child was born in her house.

The prisoner was represented by Lawyer Max Stetson, for prosecution a well-dressed man, was in court and paced wildly about during the proceedings. They were several children at home, and when a reporter called at the house a ten-year-old girl said in answer to a question:

"My papa told me not to say anything about the case."

WAITE MAY HAVE A ROW.

Trouble Ahead If He Removes Penitentiary Commissioners.

(By Associated Press.)

DENVER, Col., May 17.—Gov. Waite yesterday passed upon the charges preferred against Penitentiary Commissioners Chamberlain, Boettcher and Reynolds. The verdict is guilty, and the commission is removed from office. But the Commissioners object to being removed, and the prospects are bright for a bigger trouble that resulted from the Fire and Police Boards incident.

Gov. Waite has a son-in-law, Dan Bruce by name, whom he wants appointed Deputy Warden at the penitentiary. Warden McFister refused to appoint him, so the Governor wants the Penitentiary Commissioners to remove the Warden to make room for a man who will do his bidding. The Commissioners refused to remove the Warden, and the next move was to prefer charges against them, with the result stated.

Commissioner Chamberlain is a Populist, and was appointed by Gov. Waite. He will not give up his position, and if force is attempted Lake County, where Chamberlain resides, will, it is said, come to his support ready for any emergency.

MR. MORRIS NO BETTER.

Still in a Semi-Conscious Condition at Chambers Street Hospital.

The condition of ex-Alderman John J. Morris, of 1 West Eighty-fourth street, who is suffering from a stroke of apoplexy, was said by the House Surgeon at Chambers Street Hospital to be unchanged today.

He is still in a semi-conscious state, which will not permit of his removal to his home. His relatives call daily. As Mr. Morris is nearly seventy years old, little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U.S. Gov't Report

Real Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

AUNT HERISSON'S VOW.

She Finally Broke It and Made Two Lovers Happy.

Two young men, mounted on valuable steeds, burst into laughter as they left the Vichy road to take the one through the forest.

They certainly lacked generosity, but Cyrille, the maid of Mlle. de Saint-Jours, made an odd figure, mounted on the stiff old mare Leda, riding behind her mistress. Her silhouette was that of a warlike woman.

The young men rode past her into the forest, laughing and joking.

Mlle. de Saint-Jours overheard their silly banter. She turned her horse around and waited. She was handsome. The ride, the brisk air, and also the indignation had beautified her complexion and given brilliancy to her

SAYS MR. DARRAGH IS SANE.

His Second Wife Denies His Daughter's Statement.

The Girl Wants Her Father Adjudged a Lunatic.

Mrs. Robert L. Darragh, wife of the widely known and wealthy contractor and builder, is indignant at the legal action begun by her stepdaughter, Mary L. Darragh, to have her father adjudged insane.

Mrs. Darragh is nearly seventy years of age and has put up many of the prominent buildings of the city. He was divorced from his first wife eighteen years ago, and ten years later met Miss Laura Tozer, of San Francisco. Miss Tozer was studying medicine here, and married the old gentleman at Ithaca, this State, without the knowledge of the former wife or children.

Mr. and Mrs. Darragh live in the fashionable Chelsea Place, 22 West Twenty-first street, where an "Evening World" reporter saw Mrs. Darragh this morning.

"My husband is not insane," Mrs. Darragh said. "The whole matter will come out in court at the proper time, when it will be seen that the allegations made by my stepdaughter's children are false in nearly every particular."

"Mr. Darragh contracted an unfortunate marriage when a mere boy, and eighteen years ago secured a divorce. I am all about it before we were married."

"They claim an ill-feeling exists. Why I have never seen my children. Mrs. Darragh has never spoken to them for years. Their statements at the time of the divorce trial eliminated all his affection for them. So why should he consult them about marrying again?"

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Miss Mary L. Darragh, who brings the action, is an insectress in the Custom-House. She lives with her mother, Mrs. Darragh, at 226 Seventh avenue, near One Hundred and Thirty-third street. While the action has been brought in her name, it is also on behalf of her sister, Lorraine, and brother, John. In her affidavit filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Miss Darragh says her father is unable to attend to his affairs, and wants him adjudged insane, and a committee of his person and estate appointed.

LOVER'S PROTEST IN COURT.

Wrote to His Intended Parents-in-Law, and Gets in Trouble.

Lawyer Henry J. Goldsmith and Alfred B. Jaworski appeared before Justice Horan in Essex Market Court today and obtained a summons on behalf of Moses Bloom and his wife, Lillian, against their son-in-law, who is named Louis.

It was stated that Lillian, a sixteen-year-old daughter of the Blooms, had been engaged. The parents had the engagement broken, but Lillian, who is named Lillian, wrote them a letter which formed the basis for the complaint in Court.

In this letter, signed by Lillian, the parents are criticized for refusing to allow her to marry him. You must not think that you will take Lillian away from me. You are telling her that you will give her another intended husband with diamonds. I am sure she will not want to marry without diamonds.

NOT EX-MAYOR COOPER.

He Denies that He Visited Parkhurst or the Police Last Evening.

The police refuse to give the name of the mysterious gentleman who called at the Central Office last evening and had a long interview with Detective Sergeant in Inspector McLaughlin's office.

It was supposed that this person was ex-Mayor Cooper, and it was said that he had previously called at the house of Dr. Parkhurst, in East Thirty-third street, on the night of the shooting.

At the home of the latter it was stated that Dr. Parkhurst was out of town yesterday morning and had not yet returned. The name of the person who called there in a cab last evening was not known.

J. M. BURKE NOT MISSING.

He is Now in Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 17.—John M. Burke arrived in Spokane three days ago, and is now in Coeur d'Alene City, Idaho.

His friends here were much surprised when shown a despatch from Washington stating that he had been missing more than a month.

Twins Not Yesterday in Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 17.—The mercury was higher yesterday than on any day in May since 1874, reaching a 73.9 degrees, the highest record here.

NO PROTESTATIONS WERE REPORTED.

SAW HIS WIFE AT A WINDOW.

Mr. Deede Had Not Heard from Her for Four Years.

Found Her Living With Bowman and Sued for Divorce.

The first case on the calendar of the Special Term of the Superior Court for trial to-morrow is the action for absolute divorce brought by Nicholas H. Deede against Mary Deede, Maurice Meyer, of the Pulitzer Building, is counsel for Mr. Deede.

The couple were married twelve years ago at All Saints' Church. Five years ago, according to the complaint, Mrs. Deede left her husband and went to live with Henry Bowman as his housekeeper. She took with her their only child, a son, born in 1885, and named Nicholas after his father.

After his wife left him Deede heard nothing of her until one day last May. As he was coming downtown on a Third Avenue Elevated train he saw his wife at the window of a house at Forty-fourth street and Third avenue.

He left the train at the next station and went to the house where he had seen his wife. She greeted him pleasantly, and told him that she was sick and at the hospital, and that her son was not known there by the name of Nicholas Bowman. The son died in June, and Mr. Deede at once commenced an action for divorce.

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